

MEMORIAL
OF THE
SOCIETY OF FRIENDS IN NORTH CAROLINA,

AT

A yearly meeting at New Garden, praying the adoption of measures to bring the war with Mexico to an immediate termination.

DECEMBER 20, 1847.

Ordered to lie on the table, and be printed.

From our yearly meeting of Friends at New Garden, in Guilford county, North Carolina, held the 11th of the 11th month, 1847.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled :

Your memorialists respectfully show : that, being assembled in annual meeting, after having finished the business pertaining to our own religious society, we have felt our minds deeply and sorrowfully affected in consideration of the awful and calamitous consequences occurring from the present war against Mexico, and we earnestly entreat your legislative exertions to bring the same to an immediate termination, thereby stopping the further effusion of blood.

Your memorialists further show that the society of which they are members have ever held that all wars are inconsistent with the precepts of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and his apostles, and the early Christians of the first two centuries of the Christian era. Our blessed Lord said to his disciple Peter, "Put up thy sword into his scabbard, for they that take the sword shall perish with the sword." And the apostle James, speaking to his brethren, saith, "From whence come wars and fightings among you? Come they not hence, even from your lusts that war in your members?"

All of which is humbly submitted, under a hope that Divine Wisdom may assist and influence your deliberations.

Signed in and on behalf of aforesaid yearly meeting, by

AARON STALKER,
Clerk to the Meeting.

